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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
SATOSHI ISHIGURO ET AL. ) : Examiner: P. Sobutka  
Application No.: 09/406,697 ) : Art Unit: 2684  
Filed: September 28, 1999 ) :  
For: COMMUNICATION DEVICE, IMAGE- ) :  
PICKUP DEVICE, STORAGE MEDIUM ) :  
AND COMMUNICATION METHOD ) : August 23, 2004

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**AMENDMENT  
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 22, 2004, to and including Sunday, August 22, 2004. A check in the amount of \$420.00 in payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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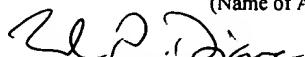
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In response to that Office Action, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: